Anne E. Baker, Deputy Secretary for External Affairs

On January 27, 2004, Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger appointed Anne as Deputy Secretary for External Affairs for the California Environmental Protection Agency. As Deputy Secretary, she assists Secretary Terry Tamminen in shaping and implementing the Governor's environmental policy.

Anne has spent more than 25 years working with public policy issues at the state and local levels with a primary emphasis on air and water quality. For the last eight years, she served as staff in the California Assembly for resource conservation and environmental protection policy and budget issues. Most recently, Anne was the primary staff for AB 1493, the landmark Greenhouse Gas Emission (GHG) Reduction legislation that requires reduction of GHG from automobiles.

Prior to moving to Sacramento, Anne served as senior advisor to the General Manager for Metropolitan Water District of Southern (MWD) California where she developed its first strategic plan and Blue Ribbon Task Force. Before joining MWD, Anne was Director of Environmental Planning at the Southern California Association of Governments for five years. From 1986-87 she was Deputy Controller for Taxation and served as a member of the State Board of Equalization.

During 1983, Anne worked in regulatory and public affairs at the Pacific Telesis Corporation including providing regulatory support to the first cellular telephone company in Los Angeles.

Prior to moving to California, Anne was an elected member of the Maryland House of Delegates from Howard County Maryland. Anne graduated in 1983 from the Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University with a Master in Public Administration.

Anne and her husband, Bill Stall, a Pulitzer Prize winning journalist at the Los Angeles Times, live in Sacramento.